

2023 Maryland Junior Holstein Winter Newsletter

YDJM & DJM Books:

It's time to get your DJM and YDJM books completed. We encourage all juniors to record their project accomplishments for the year by completing a record book. The state association gives juniors a monetary prize for completing books. The top books also have the opportunity to compete further at the national level. Books are due to Gary Brauning on or before February 2, 2023.

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Please be sure to follow the rules for the division you are completing in.

- **Juniors: (Ages 8 – 12):**

<https://www.holsteinusa.com/juniors/content/YDJM.html>

Follow the guidelines on the 2023 YDJM Application. **You do not need to complete any of the personal view questions.**

- **Intermediates (Ages 13 – 16):**

<https://www.holsteinusa.com/juniors/content/YDJM.html>

Follow the guidelines on the 2023 YDJM Application. **You will only need to do two of the four personal view questions. Up to two YDJM books may be submitted to the national contest based on the discretion of the judging committee.**

- **Seniors (Ages 17-21):**

<https://www.holsteinusa.com/juniors/content/DJM.html>

Follow the guidelines on the 2023 DJM Application. **You only need to answer the two written personal view questions. You do not need to answer the two video questions.**

Up to two DJM books may be submitted to the national contest based on the discretion of the judging committee. The two best books will be sent whether they are new ones or resubmitted books.

2023 National Holstein Convention:

Maryland is planning to send youth participants to the 2023 National Holstein Convention this June in Lexington, Kentucky. The convention dates are June 23 – 27. Here is a link to the proposed schedule:

<http://2023nationalholsteinconvention.com/schedule/> Detailed information on contests held at the national convention can be found at the following link: <https://www.holsteinusa.com/juniors/index.jsp>

- **Dairy Bowl Contest:** Junior Team (4 participants age 9-15), Senior Team (4 participants ages 16-21)
- **Dairy Jeopardy Contest:** Junior (Individual age 9-13), Intermediate (age 14-17), Senior (age 18-21)
- **Speech Contest:** Junior (Individual age 9-13), Intermediate (age 14-17), Senior (age 18-21)

Maryland can send up to two dairy bowl teams, a junior, intermediate and senior jeopardy contestant and up to three speech contestants. Emphasis will be placed on filling dairy bowl teams over jeopardy contestants. Youth may not compete in jeopardy and dairy bowl in the same year. It is possible to compete in speech and jeopardy/dairy bowl. Contest participants must be National Holstein Junior members. There is a one time fee to join junior Holstein and membership lasts through the year you turn 21.

If you are interested in representing Maryland at the National Contest, please complete this Google form to let us know of your interest. If need be, we will set up a contest either virtual or in person in order to choose teams. Please complete this form before February 2.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe32A5oS3VJz59NlrVjllpcDHryTr4-LkK6t40sBbdoAF_vA/viewform?usp=sf_link

Spring Show 2023: Save the date for the 2023 Maryland Spring Holstein Show to be held Saturday, April 8, at the Howard County Fairgrounds. Matt Mitchell of Speedwell, TN will be the official.

Show Like a Pro 2023: Save the dates for 2023 Show Like a Pro, June 3-4, at the Frederick Fairgrounds. Look for registration details in the coming months.